

LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **April 13, 2004**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 13

CONSENT:

REGULAR:

CLOSED SESSION:

(Confidential)

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION: **X**

ITEM TITLE: Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) Recommendations For Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) And HOME Funding Allocations

RECOMMENDATION: Allocate Fiscal Year 2005 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funds to eligible program activities.

SUMMARY:

Since the meeting of the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) on February 11, staff has received the approved entitlement allocation from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The CDBG entitlement amount did not change. The HOME entitlement allocation was increased by \$1,319. The CDAC indicated at their meeting that at the time the approved entitlement amounts were received from HUD staff was to adjust as follows:

HOME Increase – Applicants to revise joint proposal. The HOME applicants agreed to split equally the \$1,319 between Lyn-CAG and Rush Homes for Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) projects.

At the CDAC meeting, Mr. Bert Dodson, Chairman of the CDAC, stated to the Committee that the request from Alliance for Families and Children for the Ways to Work Program could possibly be eliminated. He indicated that there may be a possible conflict of interest due to the fact that Joan Foster, City Council member, is employed by this agency. The City Attorney's office, at the direction of City Council, had requested a formal opinion from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regarding this matter. The City was awaiting a response from HUD. If HUD determined that there was a conflict of interest, the Committee members agreed that the recommended funds for this agency be distributed equally to each of the recommended Public Service projects for funding.

At the March 9 public hearing the Alliance for Families and Children withdrew their CDBG request for \$50,000. The \$18,500 that the CDAC recommended for funding for the Ways to Work Program has been redistributed to the Public Service projects.

Attached are the revised worksheets reflecting these increases to the respective projects.

PRIOR ACTION(S): March 9: Public Hearing

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

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ATTACHMENT(S): 1. Worksheets - CDAC Revised Recommendations

REVIEWED BY: lkp

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME PROGRAMS

2004-2005 THIRTIETH YEAR CDBG PROPOSALS						
		ENTITLEMENT AMOUNT:		\$	1,100,000	
		PROGRAM INCOME (ESTIMATED):			77,790	
		REPROGRAMMABLE FUNDS:			21,716	(HILL CITY SPORTS & LEAD PROG. STAFF)
		TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED:		\$	1,199,506	
PAGE NO.	PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY	PROPOSAL	EXISTING 2003-04 CDBG BUDGET	2004-2005 REQUESTED FUNDING	REVISED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS	CITY COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS
1	ADMIN.*	Program Administration (City/CP & Dev.)	\$ 60,000	\$ 17,233	\$ 17,233	\$ 17,233
8	ADMIN.	Neighborhood Initiatives (Neigh. Plan.) (City/CP & Dev.)	30,034	15,994	15,994	15,994
8	CODE ENFORCEMENT	Neighborhood Initiatives(Code Enf./Inmate Labor) (City/CP & Dev.)	82,956	60,506	66,506	66,506
15	DIRECT COSTS/ADMIN.	Direct Costs/Admin. (LRHA)(Acq., Rehab., & Disposition	130,529	138,191	138,191	138,191
22	HOUSING ASSISTANCE	Housing Development Assistance (LNDF)		35,000	35,000	35,000
30	HISTORIC PRESERV.	YWCA Town Center Rest. (YWCA)	10,000	50,000	37,002	37,002
38	HISTORIC PRESERV.	Dance Theatre Renovations	30,000	50,000	30,000	30,000
56	HISTORIC PRESERV.	Cabell Street Dependency (LHF)		30,000	30,000	30,000
74	HOUSING REHAB.	Housing Improvement Prog. (Lyn-CAG)	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
85	HOUSING REHAB.	Daniel's Hill Acquisition (LRHA)		188,860	150,000	150,000
97	ACQUISITION/ REHAB.	Spot Blight Abatement/ Acquisition (LRHA)	160,475	64,480	64,480	64,480
110	HOUSING REHAB.	Christmas in April Rehabilitation Project		80,000	80,000	80,000
124	HOME- OWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE	Lynchburg Community Loan Fund (Lynchburg Community Loan Fund)	55,000	30,000	-	-
135	DISPOSITION	Maintenance of Acquired Properties (LRHA)	51,510	28,410	28,410	28,410
143	PUBLIC FACILITIES & IMP.	Downtown Wayfinding Signage System (Lynch's Landing)	31,510	57,490	57,490	57,490
149	PUBLIC FACILITIES & IMP.	Roof Replacement- Virginia University		40,000	40,000	40,000
165	PUBLIC FACILITIES & IMP.	Re-Installation of Building Elevator (Free Clinic of Central VA., Inc.)	-	79,200	79,200	79,200

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179	PUBLIC SERVICE	Ways to Work Program (Alliance for Families & Children)	\$ 25,440	\$ 50,000	\$ - 0-	\$ -0-
196	PUBLIC SERVICE	The Gateway (New Land Samaritan Inn)	25,440	30,000	20,041	20,041
209	PUBLIC SERVICE	Legacy Museum of African American History (The Legacy Project, Inc.)**	11,448	25,500	11,042	11,042
224	PUBLIC SERVICE	YWCA Domestic Violence Prevention Ctr. (YWCA)	17,808	21,000	18,542	18,542
232	PUBLIC SERVICE	Rush Homes of Central Virginia	7,632	9,000	9,542	9,542
244	PUBLIC SERVICE	Dance Theatre Programs	19,504	40,000	20,541	20,541
254	PUBLIC SERVICE	Enhancing Special Needs Housing Opportunities (Miriam's House)	21,200	60,000	20,542	20,542
267	PUBLIC SERVICE	Camp Kum-Ba-Yah Scholarship Assistance (Camp Kum-Ba-Yah, Inc.)	23,320	24,000	20,542	20,542
276	PUBLIC SERVICE	Sponsored Admissions & Inside-Out Outreach Programs (Amazement Square, The Rightmare Children's Museum)	12,720	25,000	10,541	10,541
284	PUBLIC SERVICE	White Rock Hill After School Program (White Rock Hill Education Center)	5,342	38,000	9,042	9,042
295	PUBLIC SERVICE	White Rock Hill Summer Enrichment Camp (White Rock Hill Education Center)	5,936	10,000	8,542	8,542
305	PUBLIC SERVICE	Red Cross Emergency Housing Assistance		25,000		
313	PUBLIC SERVICE	Emergency Assistance Program - Interfaith Outreach Assoc.		14,000		
320	PUBLIC SERVICE	College Hill Neigh. School***		25,000	15,542	15,542
327	PUBLIC SERVICE	Job Readiness Training (New Land Jobs)		30,000	15,541	15,541
		SUBTOTAL - PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS		426,500	180,000	180,000
		Total	\$ 967,804	\$ 1,541,864	\$ 1,199,506	\$ 1,199,506

*Due to the amount of previous years funding available no funds are being requested for program staff for this fiscal year.

**The CDAC indicated that these funds are to be used for resource materials.

***The CDAC indicated that these funds are to be used for purchase of playground equipment.

NOTE: Administration & Planning Cap: Cannot exceed 20% of Entitlement plus estimated program income (\$235,558)

Public Service Activities: Cannot exceed 15% of Entitlement amount plus previous year's program income (\$180,000)

BROAD NATIONAL OBJECTIVES OF THE CDBG PROGRAM

1. BENEFIT TO LOW AND MODERATE INCOME INDIVIDUALS
2. AID IN THE ELIMINATION OF SLUMS & BLIGHTED AREAS
3. MEET AN URGENT COMMUNITY NEED (NATURAL DISASTER...HURRICANE, FLOOD, ETC.)

CITY COUNCIL CONSOLIDATED PLAN GOALS- APPROVED 12/11/2003

* PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOME OWNERSHIP FOR LOW- AND MODERATE INCOME BUYERS.

* REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF SUBSTANDARD HOUSING UNITS.

* REGIONAL COOPERATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING THROUGHOUT THE CENTRAL VA. PLAN. DIST.

* ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS WHICH EXPAND JOB OPPORTUNITIES.

* ELIMINATION OF DETERIORATION, BLIGHT, AND BLIGHTING INFLUENCES.

* IMPROVEMENT OR DEVELOPMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY CENTERS

* PARK AND RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS IN RELATION TO COMMUNITY NEED.

* PRESERVATION OF PROPERTIES OF SPECIAL HISTORIC, ARCHITECTURAL, OR AESTHETIC REASONS.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME PROGRAMS

		HOME ENTITLEMENT AMOUNT:		\$475,319		
		PROGRAM INCOME-Rental Rehabilitation Program		5,222		
		TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED:		\$480,541		
PAGE NO.	PROPOSAL	EXISTING 2003-04 HOME BUDGET	2004-2005 REQUESTED FUNDING	REVISED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION	CITY COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS	
339	Letter - HOME Applicants' Revised Funding Proposals					
340	HOME Administration (City)	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	
343	HOME Administration (Lybg. Neigh. Dev. Found.)	34,400	35,400	35,400	35,400	
348	Lynchburg Homeownership (Lybg. Neigh. Dev. Found.)	170,000	200,000	125,000	125,000	
354	First Time Homebuyer Program-CHDO (Lyn-Cag)	136,393	71,300	53,070	53,070	
363	Substantial Rehabilitation Program (Lyn-Cag)	95,000	175,000	109,000	109,000	
372	Homes for People with Disabilities (Rush Homes) (CHDO)	21,873	75,000	53,071	53,071	
381	Development for Homeownership Opportunity (Greater Lynchburg Habitat for Humanity)	60,000	70,000	48,000	48,000	
391	The Cornerstone (Lybg. Neigh. Dev. Found.)		70,500	45,000	45,000	
	Total	\$ 529,666	\$ 709,200	\$ 480,541	\$ 480,541	
THE CITY IS REQUIRED TO SET ASIDE A MINIMUM OF 15% OF ITS ANNUAL ALLOCATION FOR COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS (CHDO) - THE AMOUNT FOR FY 2005 IS \$71,298						
ADMINISTRATION SET ASIDE - 10% ALLOWABLE ALLOCATION - (\$47,531)						